

Public Notice – Environmental Project

PURPOSE OF NOTICE:

The Department of Environmental Quality seeks public comment on the state's response to the environmental aspects of a proposed federal action in York County, Virginia.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

June 9, 2017 to June 28, 2017

TYPE OF RESPONSE:

Federal Consistency Determination

DEQ is reviewing a proposed federal activity to determine whether it is consistent with the Virginia Coastal Zone Management (CZM) Program established pursuant to the federal Coastal Zone Management Act. The Virginia CZM Program seeks to protect the quality of air, water or other natural resources in Virginia's coastal zone.

NAME OF AGENCY PROPOSING THE PROJECT:

DOD/U.S. Navy

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The Department of the Navy (Navy) proposes to conduct maintenance dredging of the outboard slips and approaches at Pier R3 located on the south bank of the York River at U.S. Naval Weapons Station Yorktown in York County, Virginia. The dredge area (Dredge Area A) is approximately 96,480 square yards (SY) and is located on the east side of Pier R3. The area will be dredged to a maximum depth of 44 feet below mean lower low water (MLLW). Additional maintenance dredging events are anticipated to be required every 3 to 4 years. For each maintenance dredging event, approximately 76,598 cubic yards (CY) of material will be removed via clamshell dredge, placed into and transported in bottom-dumping scows, and disposed in the Norfolk Ocean Disposal Site (NODS) located approximately 14 miles east of Norfolk in the Atlantic Ocean. The Navy finds the proposed action consistent to the maximum extent practicable with the enforceable policies of the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program.

HOW TO COMMENT:

DEQ accepts comments from the public by e-mail, fax or postal mail. All comments must include the name, address and telephone number of the person commenting and be received by DEQ within the comment period. The public may review the project documents at DEQ's central office in Richmond.

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